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SUBJ: SECTION 38(B)(3) ARMS EXPORT CONTROL ACT (AECA)

- 1. AN INQUIRY HAS BEEN MADE BY THE BELL HELICOPTER TEXTRON (BHT) COMPANY REQUESTING ASSISTANCE IN A CASE FOR THE PURCHASE BY THE ROKG OF 48 UH-1H HELICOPTERS. JUSMAG-K HAD RECOMMENDED TO MND THAT THIS PURCHASE BE ACCOMPLISHED THROUGH FMS PROCEDURES ON THE GROUNDS THAT THE PROGRAM EXCEEDS \$25 MILLION AND THUS FALLS WITHIN THE INTENT OF SECTION 38-B-3 OF ARMS CONTROL ACT. AT PRESENT THE CASE (FMS CASE KOREA UXN) IS REPORTEDLY AT THE WHITE HOUSE FOR REVIEW. CONSIDERING THE NORMAL ADMINISTRATIVE LEAD TIME FOR THE REAMINING PROCESSING OF THIS FMS CASE, IT MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE FOR DARCOM TO CONCLUDE A CONTRACT BEFORE A LINE STOPPAGE MUST BE PROGRAMMED BY BHT. THIS LINE STOPPAGE WILL PROBABLY INCREASE THE PRICE OF THE PURCHASE CONSIDERABLY.
- 2. BHT HAS INFORMED JUSMAG-K THAT SOME DOD OFFICIALS BELIEVE THIS SALE MIGHT BE HANDLED AS DIRECT COMMERCIAL CONFIDENTIAL

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CONTRACT, NOT UNDER FMS, SINCE IT WOULD PROVIDE FOR LESS THAN \$25 MILLIONOF DELIVERIES IN ANY GIVEN YEAR. BELL HAS ASKED THAT JUSMAG EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITY OF PROCEEDING ON THIS BASIS.

3. WE ARE FRANKLY DOUBTFUL ABOUT THIS PROCEDURE,BUT WOULD LIKE TO HAVE ADVICE ON ITS FEASIBILITY. WOULD ALSO

APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION ON PROSPECTS FOR EARLY ACTIONON FMS CASE. SNEIDER	
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